Supervisor Gordon Mar Calls for Hearing on Public Safety Strategies in Commercial Corridors

San Francisco - On Tuesday, Supervisor Gordon Mar called for a hearing on public safety strategies in commercial corridors, including the effectiveness of SFPD foot and bicycle patrol strategies, as well as Community Ambassador programs run by other public agencies and publicly-funded community organizations.

Neighborhood commercial districts across the city are experiencing ongoing safety problems, even as overall crime rates have fallen during the pandemic.

The hearing will evaluate the numerous programs that provide street based public safety outreach, including by City departments and community-based organizations. SFPD, The Office of Small Business, Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs and Office of Economic and Workforce Development have also been asked to be part of the hearing.

“Many family-owned businesses have been burglarized and vandalized, some multiple times, and we need small business owners to be secured in order for residents and patrons to feel safe when they are out. We need to answer the call for more visible and responsive public safety measures in our commercial corridors and that begins by knowing what works and coordinating strategies.”

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